

RENTON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

September 21, 1998 Council Chambers
Monday, 7:30 p.m. Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

BOB EDWARDS, Council President; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DAN CLAWSON; KING PARKER; TIMOTHY SCHLITZER; RANDY CORMAN. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER TONI NELSON. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; BRENDA FRITSVOLD, Deputy City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; BETTY NOKES, Economic Development Director; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; JILL DIDDY, Recreation Program Coordinator; BONNIE RERECICH, Recreation Supervisor; DEREK TODD, Finance Analyst; COMMANDER CURTIS SMALLING, Police Department.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1998, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION Parks Employees Recycling Program

Jim Shepherd, Community Services Administrator, introduced Jill Diddy, Recreation Program Coordinator and explained that she works with the Special Populations Program.

Ms. Diddy said that the Special Populations Program received approximately \$10,000 in donations from the Employees Recycling Program. The program, which was established by Boeing employees, has expanded to include volunteers from other local businesses. Renton's grant was used to help purchase much-needed sporting equipment such as tennis rackets, tandem bicycles and uniforms. She closed by reading personal accounts of Special Populations Program participants relating the many benefits they receive by being involved with sporting activities.

Nick Nicholson, Employees Recycling Program President, stressed that every cent received from the collection of aluminum cans and newspapers is given away. Explaining that the program, which started in 1974, is committed to people with disabilities for sports training, Mr. Nicholson stated that by the year 2000, the program's goal is to have given away a total of one million dollars.

Leo Wells, Employees Recycling Program Board Member, presented Jill Diddy with a sports tape measure and a certificate of appreciation for all her hard work and her support of the recycling program.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 1998 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * Renton City Employees will kick off their annual United Way Campaign this Wednesday with a goal of raising over \$30,000 and increasing employee participation.
- * Through the Business Watch Letter, the Police Department notified every business in the City of Renton about the new Drug Paraphernalia Law.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment
Amandus - Renton
Community Marriage
Agreement

James A. Amandus, Senior Pastor with the Highlands Community Church, 3031 NE 10th St., Renton, 98056, invited the Mayor and Councilmembers to attend the signing of the Renton Community Marriage Agreement. He explained that a delegation of working pastors crafted the agreement, which pastors of over 30 churches within Renton will sign. Reverend Amandus read aloud the marriage agreement and encouraged government officials and community leaders to make a public statement for the moral value of marital fidelity.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Vacation SW Harris Place
(Joseph et al/VAC-97-002)

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended waiver of compensation for property to be vacated on SW Harris Pl. between Rainier Ave. S. and SW Sunset Blvd. (VAC-97-002). Refer to Transportation Committee.

Streets N 8th St Temporary
Closure (Garden Ave N to
Houser Way N)

Transportation Systems Division requested authorization to close N. 8th St. between Garden Ave. N. and Houser Way N. for three weeks beginning no sooner than October 1st and ending no later than November 9th for road reconstruction. Council concur. (See page 300 for resolution.)

**MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL
APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.**

OLD BUSINESS
Public Safety Committee
Police Pawn Shop Hours
of Operation

Public Safety Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending that pawnshops be closed between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. During these hours, it shall be unlawful for any pawnbroker to conduct or carry on the business of pawnbroker, in whole or in part, directly, or to open or keep open, his pawnship for the transaction of any business whatsoever therein, except from December 15 to December 25 of each year, and on Saturdays, when pawnbrokers may remain open until, but not later than 10:00 p.m. The Committee further recommended that an

Ordinance be prepared for Council's adoption on this change. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Community Services
Committee**

**Appointment Municipal
Court Judge Pro Tem**

Community Services Vice-Chair Clawson presented a report regarding the emergency appointment of two municipal court judges pro tem. The Committee agreed that there is a need for the appointment of two additional judges pro tem in order to resolve a scheduling problem for the September 24, 1998 court proceedings and to prevent a reoccurrence of potential scheduling problems for the remainder of 1998. Therefore, the Committee recommended Council concur in the appointments of Kris R. Jensen and A. Mark Vanderveen as Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem, effective immediately and expiring 12/31/98. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Parks Maplewood Golf
Course/River Rock
Restaurant Noise Problems**

Community Services Vice-Chair Clawson presented a report regarding the late night noise at the Maplewood Golf Course. The Committee concurred with the actions taken by the Concessionaire to move all music events indoors year-round, thereby eliminating late night music.

The Committee also concurred with the actions taken by the Maplewood Golf Course to employ a starter at the Number One Tee until 8:00 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, and until 7:00 a.m. on Monday through Friday, thereby eliminating speaker noise. In addition, speakers have been redirected to reduce noise to the north of the course, when speakers become operational after 8:00 a.m. on weekends and 7:00 a.m. on weekdays.

Due to vandalism and associated costs caused by people illegally destroying the netting and removing golf balls in the driving range area, the Committee further recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to continue operating the ball-picking machine from 10:00 p.m. through 2:00 a.m., five days per week. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Appointment Board of
Adjustment**

Community Services Vice-Chair Clawson presented a report recommending concurrence in the Mayor's appointment of Gregg Guillen and George Feighner to the Board of Adjustment. The four-year terms expire on September 6, 2002. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**ORDINANCES AND
RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

Resolution #3351
Streets N 8th St Temporary

A resolution was read authorizing a three-week temporary closure of N. 8th St. from Garden Ave. N. to Houser Way

Closure (Garden Ave N to
Houser Way N)

N. for roadway construction beginning no sooner than
October 1st and ending no later than November 9, 1998.
MOVED BY EDWARDS, SECONDED BY CLAWSON,
COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS
PRESENTED. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY EDWARDS,
COUNCIL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR
20 MINUTES TO DISCUSS LITIGATION. Time: 8:00
p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:20 p.m.; roll was called;
all Councilmembers present.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY SCHLITZER, SECONDED BY NELSON,
COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:21 p.m.

Brenda Fritsvold, Deputy City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
9/21/98